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Examiner: Long T. Nguyen Group Art Unit: 2816

Entitled: Method and Apparatus for Reducing the Vulnerability of Latches to Single Upset Events

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Robert L. Shuler, Jr.

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## <u>LETTER TO DRAWING PROCESSING BRANCH</u> SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS (37 C.F.R. 1.85)

Sir:

In response to the examiners objection to the drawings (Figures 1-3, and Figures 7A-7B),included with the Office Action Paper No. 8 dated March 18, 2004, replacement drawings in the above-identified application, drawing sheet 1 (Figures 1-3) and drawing sheet 2 (Figures 7A-7B) are enclosed herewith.

In the event that the enclosed drawings are not acceptable, it is respectfully requested that the Draftsman call Applicants' attorney, at 281/483-1001, with respect to any further requirements.

It is requested that any additional fees which may be due with respect to the application or as may be required for processing the drawing be charged to Deposit Account No. 14-0116.

Respectfully submitted

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